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... A community college serving specifically the people of Gaston and Lincoln Counties with a full spectrum of educational opportunities.

... A member of the North Carolina Department of Community Colleges, it offers all of its educational services to the public through an "Open Door" philosophy.

... The College holds to the idea that a community college serves the community only when it meets the individual's needs, whatever they may be.

... In this spirit, the programs are designed to meet the needs of students, whether those needs be courses for college credit, career and vocational training, upgrading skills, basic education, or personal enrichment and fulfillment.



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HE FOUR DIVISIONS . . .

** Academic Programs

*** Technical and Health Programs

*** Vocational Programs

*** Continuing Education Programs



... vividly represent the wide variety of educational opportunities open to the students.

Special programs of general studies and developmental courses for students who need additional preparation add to the scope of educational opportunities.

STUDENTS ...

... run counter to all stereotypes of the term "collegian" as it may have been viewed in the past.

... With the advent of the community college concept, people are starting and completing their formal education at all age levels.

... Students may be found enrolling in cross-divisional courses in order to fulfill individual designs, either personal or occupational.

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Statement of Purpose

Gaston College is a comprehensive community college which seeks to be of optimum educational service to its people. Concerned equally with the needs of individuals and the needs of the community, the College commits its resources to fulfill these purposes:

To provide for the college oriented student the first two years of academic college courses.

To meet for industry, business, government, and service occupations the pre-service and in-service manpower training needs that require up to and including the Associate in Arts degree.

To raise the level of personal fulfillment, of responsible citizenship, and standards of living of the people of the area.





History

The people of the earth, the family of man, wanted to put up something proud to look at, a tower from the flat land of earth

a tower from the flat land of earth on up through the ceiling into the top of the sky.

And the big job got going, the caissons and pilings sunk, floors, walls and winding staircases aimed at the stars high over, aimed to go beyond the ladders of the moon.

> "The People, Yes" —Carl Sandburg



History

During the period between 1945 and 1960, the boards of education, the area newspapers, the chambers of commerce, and groups of interested and influential citizens promoted the vision of a community college to serve Gaston County and the surrounding area.



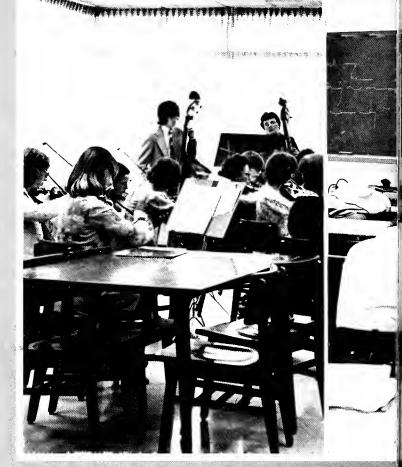
The citizens of Gaston County voted to establish a college and a charter was granted to the institution on January 10, 1963, by the State of North Carolina. The college was chartered under the name of Gaston College.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



Associate in Arts
Associate in Fine Arts
Associate in
Applied Science Degrees

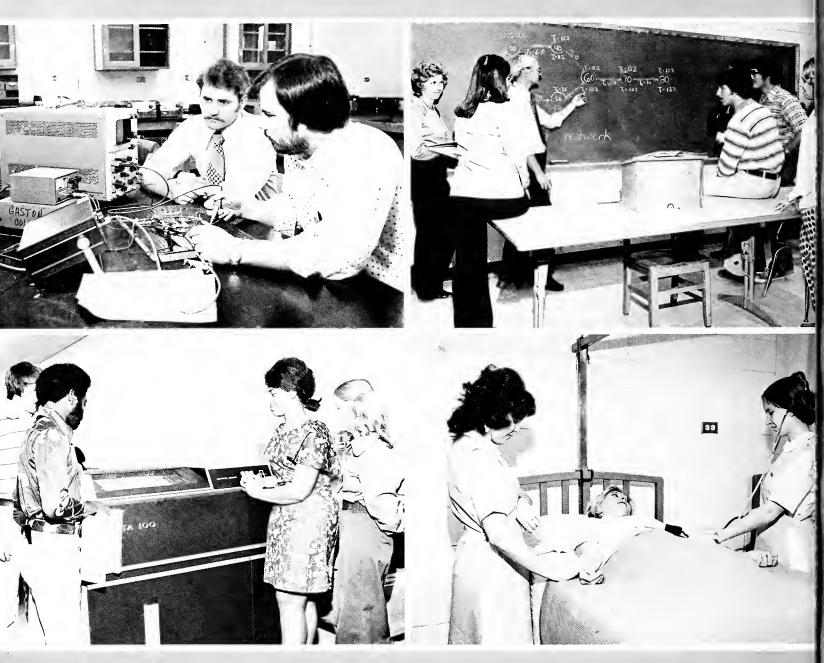








A student may complete the first two years of study in the pre-professional and four-year programs. He may transfer to a senior college or university for the third and fourth years of study leading to a baccalaureate degree.

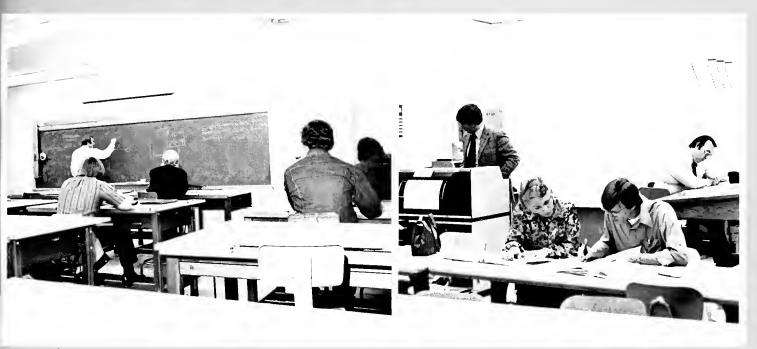


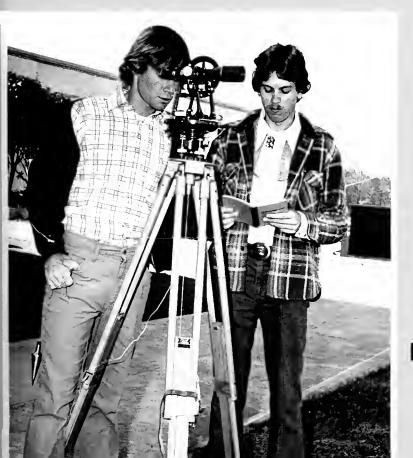
Associate in Applied Science Degree
Certified Engineering Technician
Registered Nurse
Licensed Practical Nurse





TECHNICAL PROGRAMS





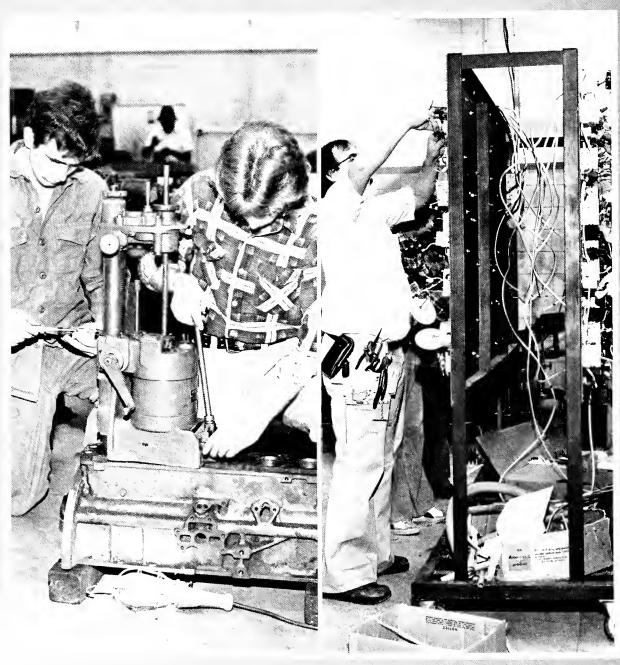
A student may complete a two-year curriculum in one of several engineering technologies, or nursing, or fire science. He may seek immediate employment after graduation, or he may transfer to a senior college or university to study toward a baccalaureate degree.

VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS

A student may complete a oneyear program in one of nine occupational curricula.

The graduate will find excellent opportunities for employment in these fields.











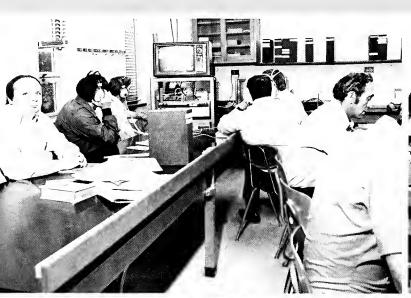


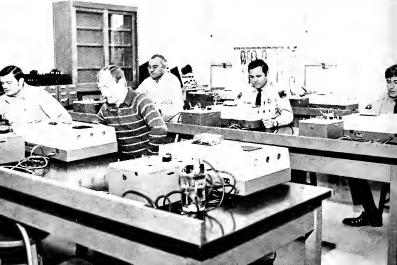
Air Conditioning
Automotive & Diesel Mechanics
Drafting
Electrical Installation & Maintenance
Electronics Servicing
Industrial Maintenance
Machinist
Tool and Die
Welding

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Students may select a variety of programs and courses in adult education. They may enter a pre-high school studies program and progress at their own rate; they may enter the Learning Laboratory and pursue a high school equivalency program; or they may enroll in any of literally dozens of general interest and community service courses.











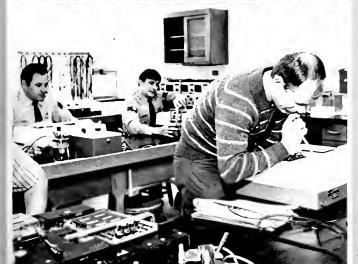








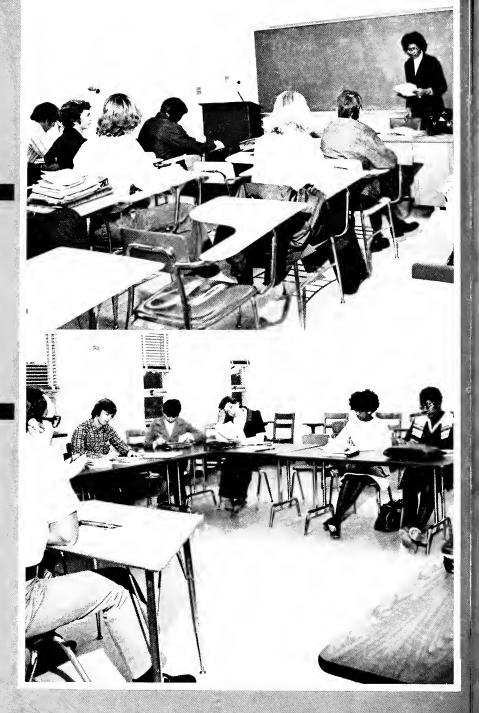






GENERAL STUDIES

A student may enroll in a first-year General Studies curriculum of general education. This curriculum provides a broad, integrated educational experience that is characterized by individual attention by instructors; close personal associations among students; and comprehensive testing, test interpretation, and counseling to aid students in making realistic educational-vocational choices.









It involves students and faculty in a variety of cultural, recreational, and social activities; and provides courses which emphasize student interest, critical thinking, contemporary life, and community involvement.

After completion of the General Studies curriculum, a student is encouraged to continue his education by study in occupational or liberal arts curricula.





FOREWORD

It would be hard to estimate the number of thumbprints that touch a yearbook in the course of a lifetime. While thumbprints tend to "gum up" many surfaces, they also add a touch of personal identity. 1976-1977 was a year that touched each of us differently. The news itself was typical and atypical during the year. The bicentennial celebration added more flavoring to the nation's 200th birthday. Parts of the country varied in their fervor of celebration. A presidential campaign in 1976 saw Democrat Jimmy Carter and incumbent President Gerald R. Ford, a Republican, emerge as early frontrunners for their party's presidential bids, with Jimmy (Peanuts) Carter emerging as the winner.



Inflation, soaring prices, and good times were a part of our lives. But these happenings, regardless of their outcomes, all affected people and their emotions. People both made and were affected by the results. In essence, another year of life itself took place. Delve into this publication as a child would dream his way into a fantasy world. Complete with its mystery, happy and sad moments, adventures and regrets, 1977 was a unique year. It was one that definitely touched each of us, however differently.



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If I had a million lives to live
and a million deaths to die
in a million humdrum worlds,
I'd like to change my name
and have a new house number to go by
each and every time I died
and started life all over again.

I wouldn't want the same name every time and the same old house number always, dying a million deaths, dying one by one a million times:

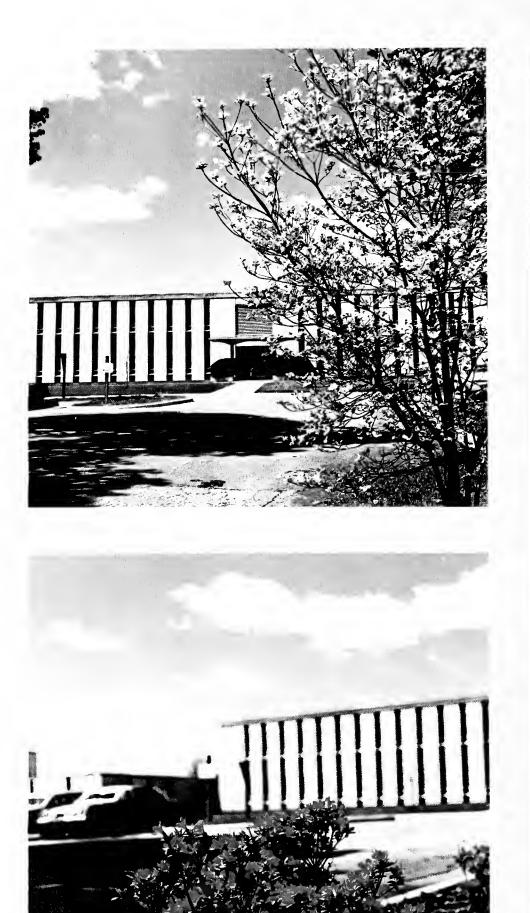
—would you?

or you?

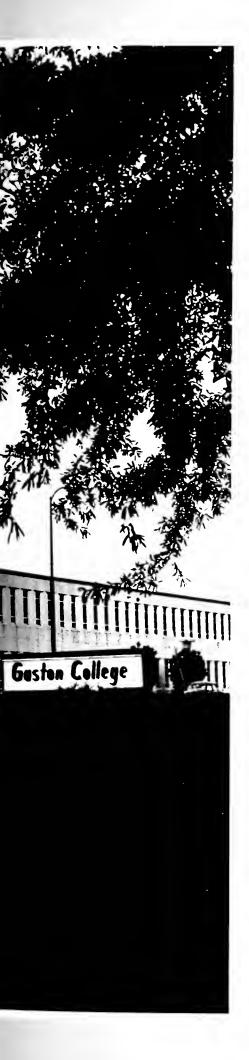
"Humdrum" —Sandburg

























I shall foot it
Down the roadway in the dusk,
Where shapes of hunger wander
And the fugitives of pain go by.
I shall foot it
In the silence of the morning,
See the night slur into dawn,
Hear the slow great winds arise
Where tall trees flank the way
And shoulder toward the sky.

The broken boulders by the road Shall not commemorate my ruin. Regret shall be the gravel under foot. I shall watch for Slim birds swift of wing That go where wind and ranks of thunder Drive the wild processionals of rain.

The dust of the traveled road Shall touch my hands and face.

"The Road and the End" —Sandburg















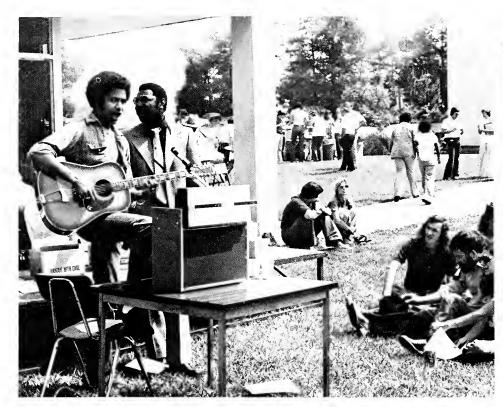














"I love you,"
said a great mother.
"I love you for what you are
knowing so well what you are.
And I love you more yet, child,
deeper yet than ever, child,
for what you are going to be,
knowing so well you are going far,
knowing your great works are ahead,
ahead and beyond,
yonder and far over yet."

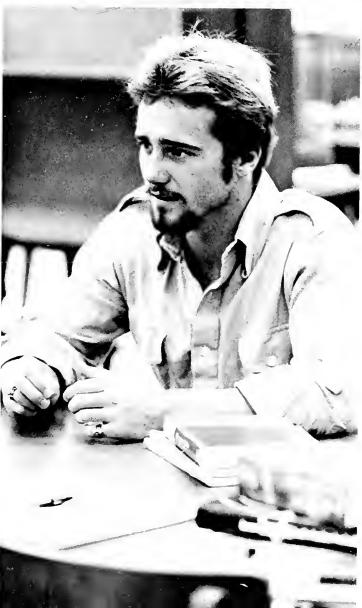
"The People, Yes" —Sandburg





















The people know the salt of the sea and the strength of the winds lashing the corners of the earth.
The people take the earth as a tomb of rest and a cradle of hope.
Who else speaks for the Family of Man?
They are in tune and step with constellations of univeral law.

The people is a polychrome, a spectrum and a prism held in a moving monolith, a console organ of changing themes, a clavilux of color poems wherein the sea offers fog and the fog moves off in rain and the labrador sunset shortens to a nocturne of clear stars serene over the shot spray of northern lights.

The steel mill sky is alive.
The fire breaks white and zigzag shot on a gun-metal gloaming.
Man is a long time coming.
Man will yet win.
Brother may yet line up with brother:







This old anvil laughs at many broken hammers.

There are men who can't be bought.
The fireborn are at home in fire.
The stars make no noise.
You can't hinder the wind from blowing.
Time is a great teacher.
Who can live without hope?

In the darkness with a great bundle of grief the people march.

In the night, and overhead a shovel of stars for keeps, the people march:

"Where to? What next?"

"The People, Yes" —Carl Sandburg



In every community of people there are a very few who are chosen by circumstances and by force of character to make a lasting imprint on their fellowmen and their environment. Albert G. Myers, Jr., by his industrial and marketing genius has changed the face of Gaston County and provided a major means of economic progress for the area. His civic pride and public consciousness have led him into active support of a full spectrum of worthy endeavors. Community, church, and family have received the focus of his efforts in full measure.

Gaston College stands high in that long list of beneficiaries of Mr. Myers' generous concern and personal interest. As a member of the Board of Trustees and as a contributor through the Myers Foundation, he has helped to make us what we are.

Because we admire him as a man and because we value him as a friend, we respectfully dedicate the 1977 RE-VELEER to Mr. Albert G. Myers, Jr.

WE DEDICATE . . .

Albert G. Myers, Jr.







IDENTITY . . .

How can a person describe finding his identity as a freshman? Many things and feelings can be considered while one is searching for his identity, especially in college.

LONELINESS . . .

for example, can describe almost every freshman's feelings. It may seem that he has lost all contact with the world that he knew. Suddenly he is very self-conscious of his looks and actions. He feels a lostness, unaware that this terrible feeling will disappear in a matter of days. He must break his outer core of self-consciousness; he must become an outgoing social being in order to be accepted in this new group of people.





HAPPINESS . . .

comes as the freshman sheds his fears and makes new friends. Realizing that the world is full of people who share his interests, he meets and becomes interested in people from many different cultures and races. The world of the student is greatly enlarged.

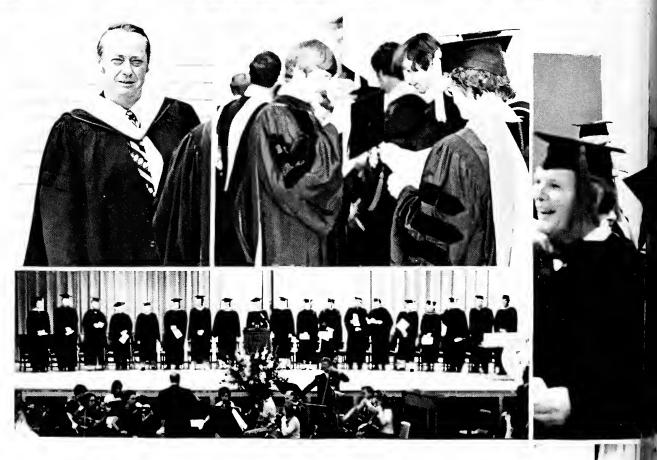
INVOLVEMENT...

in this new life opens many possibilities to the student. Decisions must be made and processes of reasoning must be learned. He must make decisions that aid in achieving his identity — his lifetime identity. He decides which goals he will strive for, laying others aside as time reveals those which hold the most meaning for him.

SEARCHING . . .

for an identity continues long after the freshman year, but from this beginning a path for the search may be discovered.







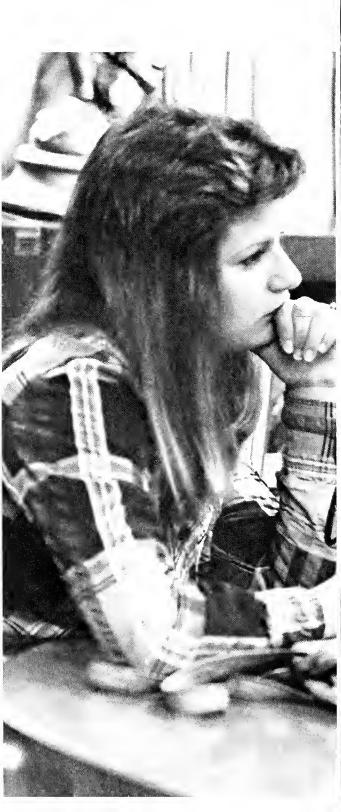
















































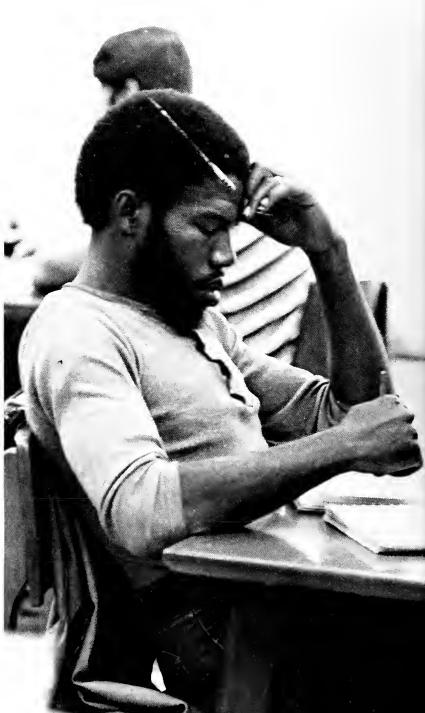




A father sees a son nearing manhood. What shall he tell that son? "Life is hard; be steel; be a rock." And this might stand him for the storms and serve him for humdrum and monotony and guide him amid sudden betrayals and tighten him for slack moments. "Life is a soft loam; be gentle; go easy." And this too might serve him. Brutes have been gentled where lashes failed The growth of a frail flower in a path up has sometimes shattered and split a rock. A tough will counts. So does desire. So does a rich soft wanting. Without rich wanting nothing arrives. Tell him too much money has killed men and left them dead years before burial: The quest of lucre beyond a few easy needs has twisted good enough men sometimes into dry thwarted worms. Tell him time as a stuff can be wasted. Tell him to be a fool every so often and to have no shame over having been a fool yet learning something out of every folly hoping to repeat none of the cheap follies thus arriving at intimate understanding of a world numbering many fools. Tell him to be alone often and get at himself and above all tell himself no lies about himself whatever the white lies and protective fronts he may use amongst other people. Tell him solitude is creative if he is strong and the final decisions are made in silent rooms. Tell him to be different from other people if it comes natural and easy being different. Let him have lazy days seeking his deeper motives. Let him seek deep for where he is a born natural. Then he may understand Shakespeare And the Wright brothers, Pasteur, Pavlov, Michael Faraday and free imaginations bringing changes into a world resenting change. He will be lonely enough to have time for the work he knows as his own.

> "The People, Yes" —Sandburg







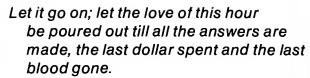












Time runs with an ax and a hammer, time slides down the hallways with a pass-key and a master-key, and times gets by, time wins.

Let the love of this hour go on; let all the oaths and children and people of this love be clean as a washed stone under a waterfall in the sun.

Time is a young man with ballplayer legs, time runs a winning race against life and the clocks, time tickles with rust and spots.

Let love go on; the heartbeats are measured out with a measuring glass, so many apiece to gamble with, to use and spend and reckon; let love go on.

"Let Love Go On" —Sandburg





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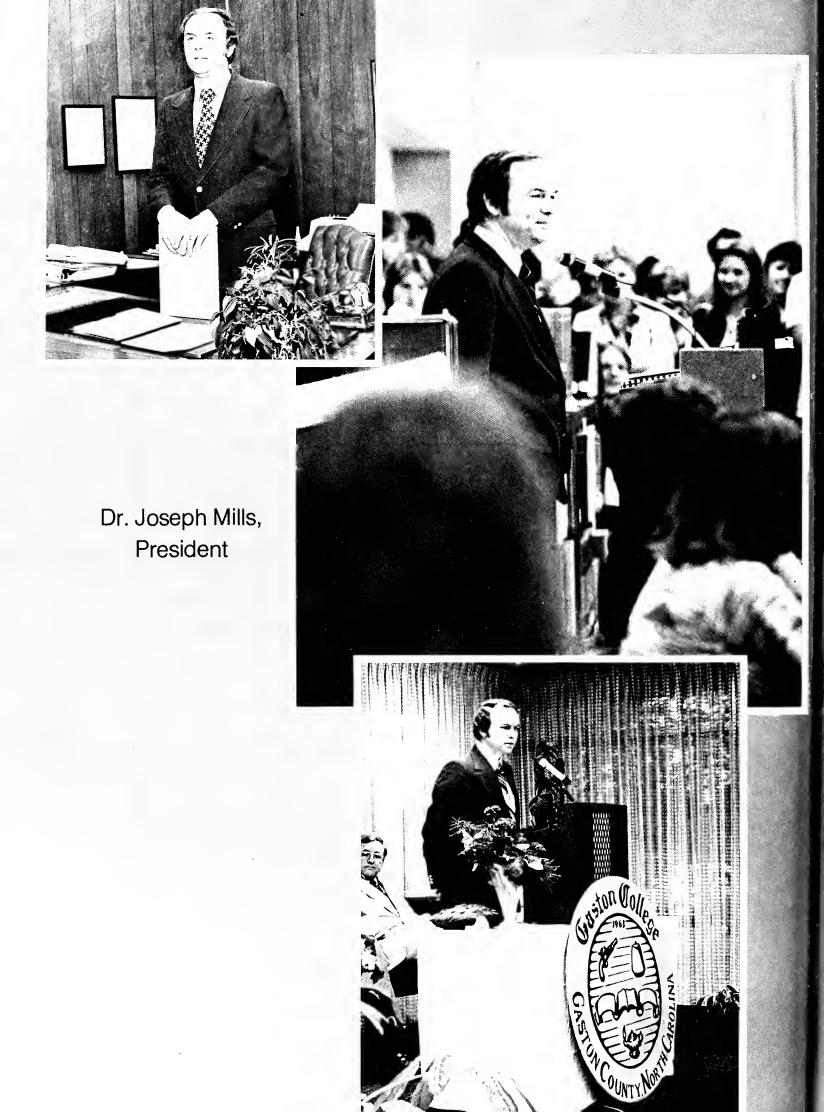








DR. THOMAS A. WILL Vice-Chairman



STATEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's 5:00 p.m., Thursday evening, December 16, 1976 as I pen some thoughts for our new yearbook. In retrospect, the school year 1975-76 has been an exciting period for Gaston College.

For example, we are just a few months away from moving into the new Myers College Center, and our architectural firm is already busy making plans for the new Learning Resources Center.

Our Student Government Association has worked hard this year to represent our student body in the decision-making processes of the campus, and our student leaders have given us excellent representation at the state level. Our SGA is to be commended for all of its projects, but in particular, I am proud of the work they have put into furnishing the Myers Center and the efforts they have made in seeking an FM radio station and a broadcast curriculum.

Our faculty continues to provide quality instruction for our diverse student body. We have initiated an "in-Service Education Program" which is held at the beginning of each Quarter and which serves to introduce to the faculty and staff key leaders from the business, industrial, and governmental communities.

At the state and local level, our financial support for operating expenses has been good this year, and while the funds for new buildings have been scarce, the Board of Trustees of Gaston College and the Board of Directors

of the Gaston College Foundation have been hard at work to raise the funds that are needed to complete the Gaston College master plan. These dedicated citizens are to be commended for the many hours of service that they give to this institution and its student body.

This year, Gaston College has also been fortunate to have several members of the College family to rise to some very prominent positions. For example, Mr. Carl Stewart, our attorney and part-time instructor, has become the new Speaker of the House of Representatives. Dr. Ed Stowe, the Chairman of our Board of Trustees, was recently elected President of the North Carolina Trustees Association. Mrs. Helen Marvin, Head of our Social Science Department, is a new North Carolina Senator. Dr. Bruce Trammell, our Dean of Business Affairs, Is the new Chairman of the Gaston County Board of Education. And, your President was elected Secretary and member of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Presidents' Association (Community Colleges and Technical Institutes). You may rest assured that your best interests and those of Gaston College will be attended to by these, your representatives.

In closing, Dottie, Barry, little Britain, and I want to wish each of you a happy and productive year and to thank each of you for making life at Gaston College such a memorable and happy experience for all of us.



Dr. Robert Howard Dean of Instruction

Dr. Bruce Trammell
Dean of
Business Affairs

Horace Cline Dean of Students

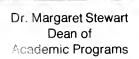
Paul Berrier Assistant to President, Director of Development

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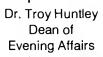






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Secretary and Member of the Executive Committee
N. C. Community College Presidential Association



Carl Stewart
Speaker, N. C. House of Representatives



Dr. Edward Stowe President of N. C. Trustees Association

Still one thing more, fellow citizens — a wise and frugal government, which shall restrain men from injuring one another, which shall leave them otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the mouth of labor the bread it has earned. This is the sum of good government, and this is necessary to close the circle of our felicities.

- Thomas Jefferson

Governor Jim Hunt Graduation Speaker, 1975



















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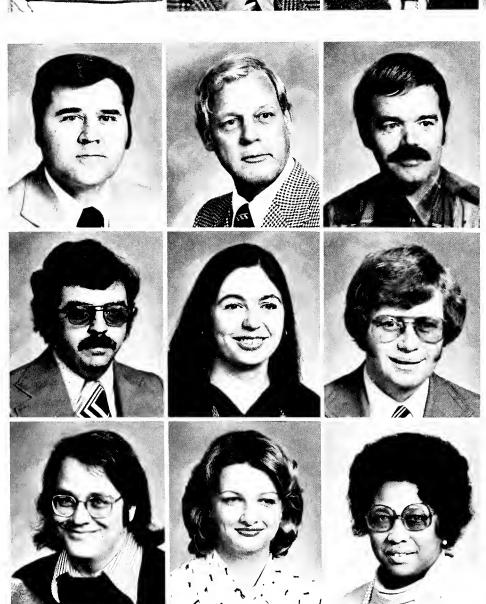
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John Brenner















Helen Bryant

Eddie Cameron

Fairley Cameron

Betty Carpenter









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Helen Carter
Troy Chaffin
Amit Chatterjea







Henry Cline
Horace Cline





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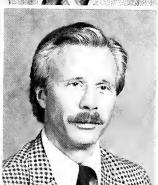


























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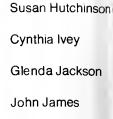
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Dennis Perry
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Joe Stewart

Margaret Stewart

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John Topp
Bruce Trammell
Ylia Walsh
Judy Yates







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Paul Whippo



















Robert Williams

Pita Wipfield

Bob Wood

Dot Woody

James Wright













Robert M. Michael

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

When Earth's last picture is painted, and the tubes are twisted and dried,

When the oldest colors have faded, and the youngest critic has died,

We shall rest, and faith, we shall need it—lie down for an eon or two,

Till the Master of All Good Workmen shall set us to work anew!

And those that were good shall be happy: they shall sit in a golden chair;

They shall splash at a ten-league canvas with brushes of comets' hair;

They shall find real saints to draw from—Magdalene, Peter, and Paul;

They shall work for an age at a sitting and never be tired at all!

And only the Master shall praise us, and only the Master shall blame:

And no one shall work for money, and no one shall work for fame;

But each for the joy of the working, and each, in his separate star

Shall draw the Thing as he sees It for the God of Things as The Are!

—Kipling



The untimely passing of the Chairman of Mechanical & Production Engineering Technology on November 7, 1976, brought a deep sense of loss to the campus at Gaston and to places far removed from our area. Bob Michael was a major presence in his Cleveland County community, in the business world, in his church, and in engineering circles. He was the Campus Coordinator for the American Society for Engineering Education and a consultant for the American Association of Junior Colleges, as well as member and student club sponsor of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

Blessed with a precision mind, he could invent and teach and do. In his diligent, unassuming way, Bob Michael brought these abilities to bear on his teaching and his relationships with students in a manner always positive and stimulating. His nineteen years of dedicated service to Gaston Tech and Gaston College have made a lasting contribution to the quality of education at our institution.

The Classroom is really where the action is. Whatever else may go on at Gaston, it is the Instructors who make the Gaston experience worthy of being called education. The REVELEER wishes to express especial appreciation to two Instructors who recently retired from our faculty.

MR. SAMUEL PARK DURRANCE gave twelve years of excellent instruction at Gaston College. He was named as the first Chairman of the Music Department and under his guidance that department expanded into a full program of vocal and instrumental class offerings. Mr. Durrance was a major force behind the establishment of the new Associate in Fine Arts degree in music. A diverse and accomplished man, he is known for his abilities in the fields of aviation, horticulture, and water navigation. His talent and character will be long remembered.

Samuel P. Durrance

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC



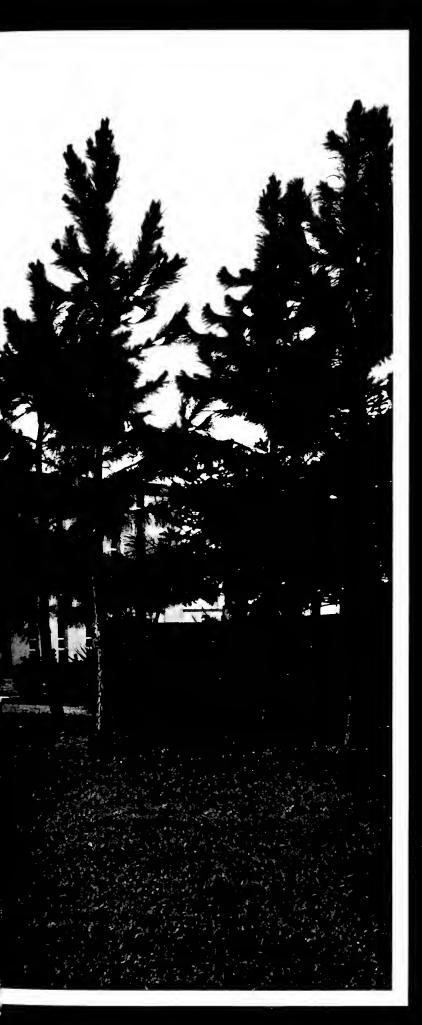


Robert Lee Willis

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

MR. ROBERT LEE WILLIS taught in the Mechanical & Production Engineering Technology Department from 1961 until 1976. He was a quiet force among us, the gentlest of men, one who diligently and unpretentiously provided quality instruction in the areas of his specialties. He was an active member of the American Society for Engineering Education and served as Faculty Advisor for the Student Chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers. Graduates over the past one and one-half decades will attest to Mr. Willis' sincerity and inspiration.







CLASSES

Pam Abee
Brian Abernathy
Paul Abernathy
Katrina Adams

Phyllis Adams
Herbie Addis
Susan Aderholt
Rick Alexander



Roy Allen
Pam Allman
Carol Anderson
Joel Anderson

Patti Anderson

Donna Angley

Janet Armstrong

Karen Armstrong

Paula Armstrong
Paula Armstrong
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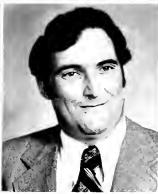
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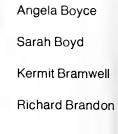
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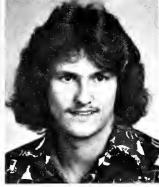
















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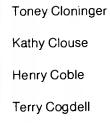


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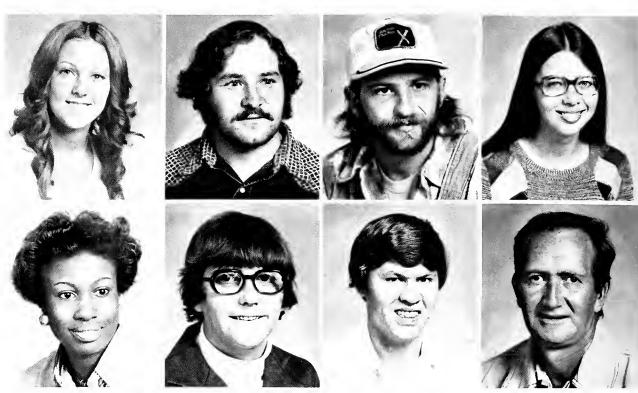
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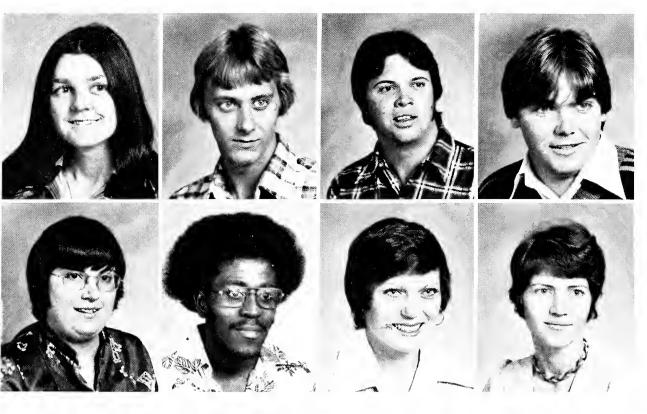








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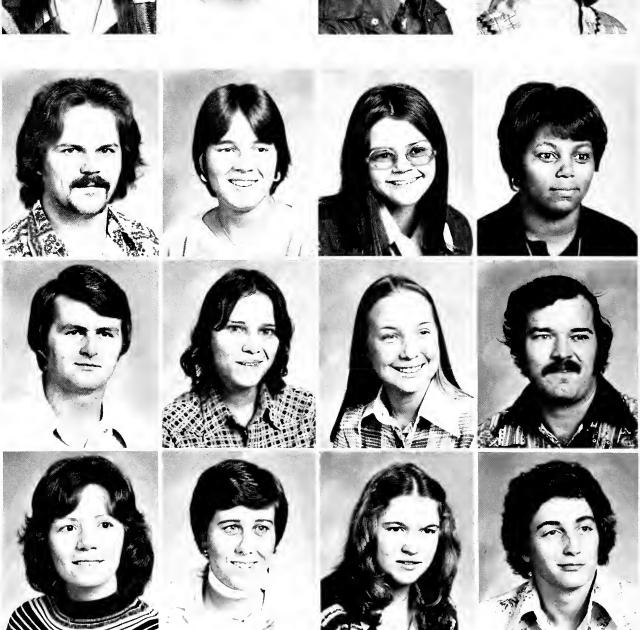
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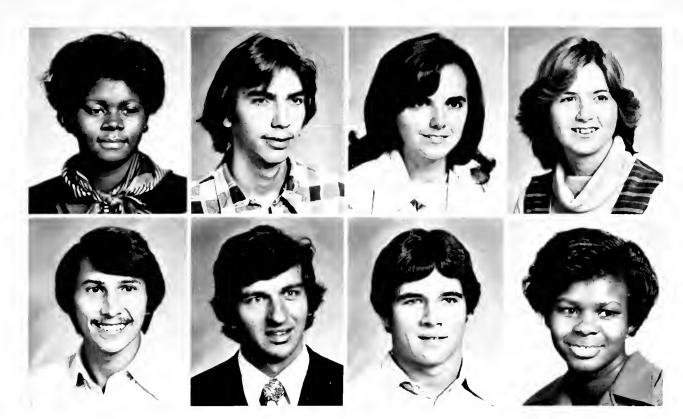


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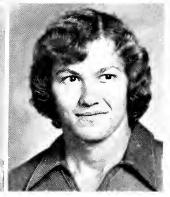
















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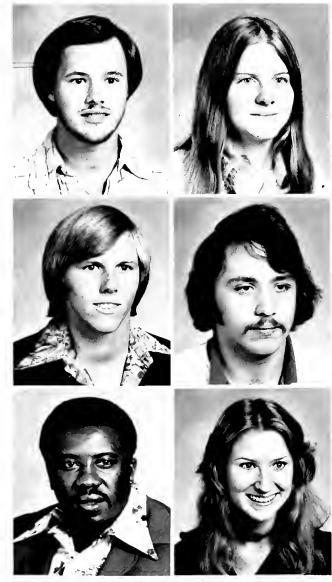
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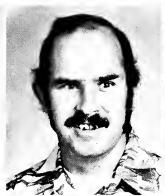
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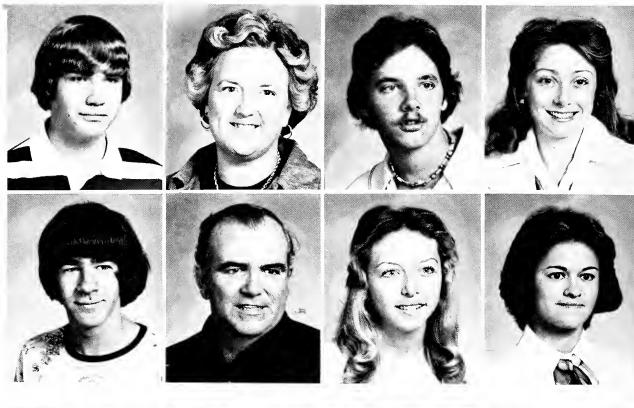
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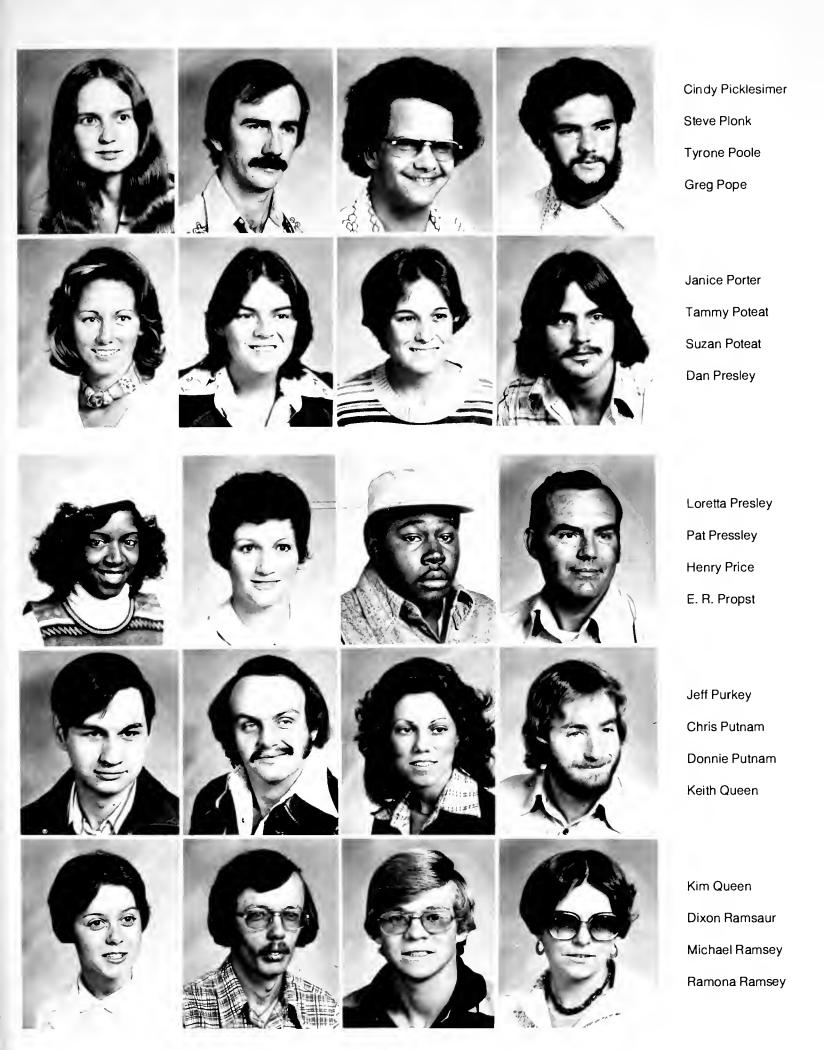
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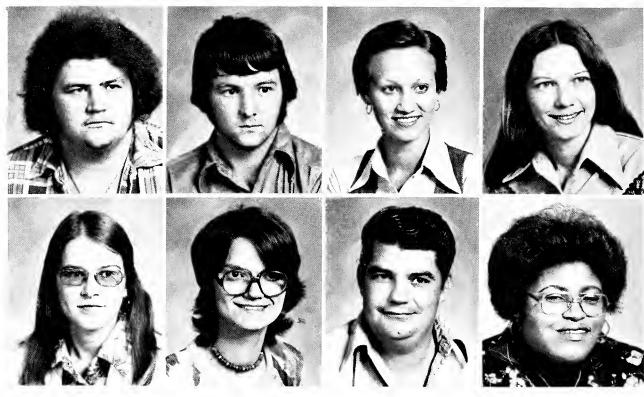




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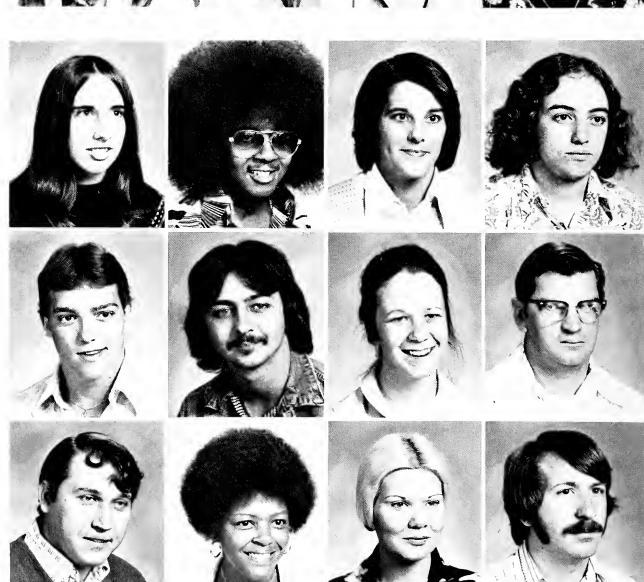
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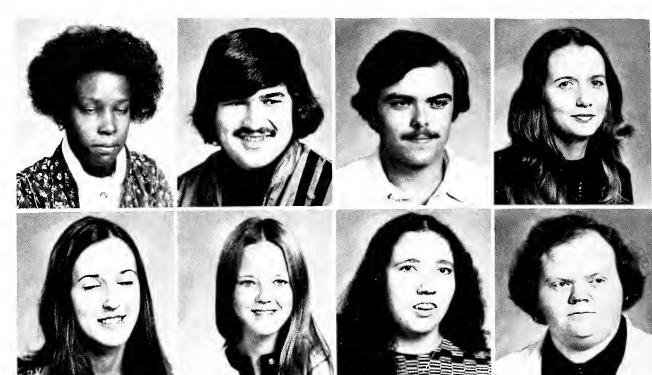
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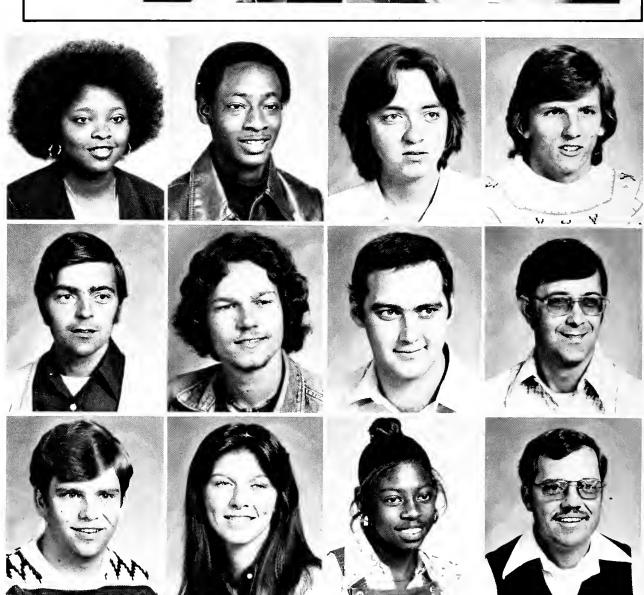
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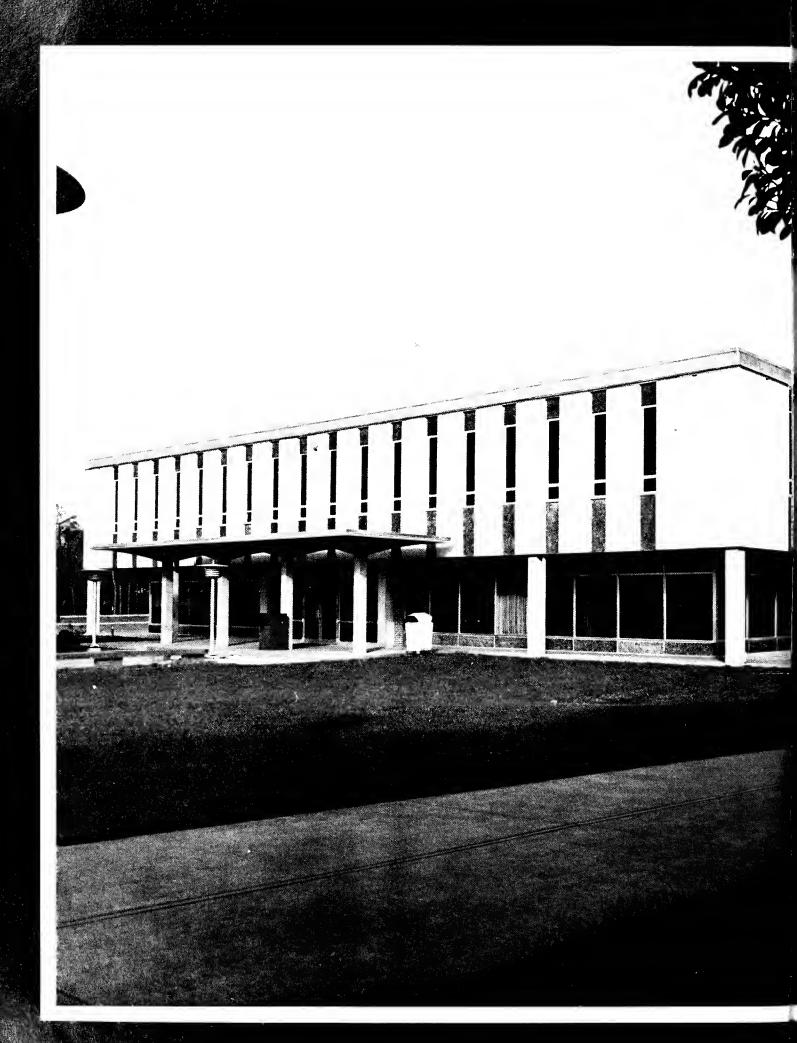
















CLUBS



Carnetta Ray Valerie Friday Shelia Stokes



LEARNING RESOURCES CENTER







I.E. CLUB

The Industrial Engineering Technology Club provides students the opportunity to broaden their knowledge of industry, to create an atmosphere of education, and to provide services to the college and community.



President, Ed Patterson Vice-President; Jack Sneed Secretary, Leigh Pearson

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PEN and EASEL

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Berge Beam, Advisor



Marcus Bell, Prose and Poetry Editor



Wayne Stroupe, Art Editor



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GAMMA BETA PHI

Officers

Bill Calhoun, President Barbara Glass, Secretary Harold Mauney, Treasurer O. J. Davis, Sponsor







The Gamma Beta Phi Society is a honor-service organization. The society promotes scholarship, leadership, and good character. Membership is open to all students who have successfully completed 12 or more quarter hours of college level work. The student must be in the upper twenty percent of his class. The Gaston College Chapter which was chartered on March 23, 1966, is a member of the national organization.

Some of the projects that the Gamma Beta Phi Society has sponsored are serving refreshments during registration, soliciting donors for the Eye and Human Tissue Bank, soliciting for Easter Seals, preparing Christmas baskets for needy families, and presenting the Outstanding Educator's Award.



A.E.Y.C.

The Gaston College Association for the Education of Young Children celebrated its first birthday this winter. Members participated in a variety of activities from providing child care services on public school holidays to holding a Book Fair in celebration of Children's Book Week and from arranging displays and bulletin boards to graduation and holiday parties. The organization is dedicated to providing a bon'd of friendship for all persons at Gaston College interested in young children while also providing opportunities for educational growth and leadership among its members.



Officers:
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OUTING CLUB

The purpose of the Outing Club is to expand the interest in others of the enjoyment of outdoor activities. From mountain climbing to ice skating, we strive to show the pleasures of simple things. We are open to all suggestions. Beach Combing to Taco parties, we know you would like it. We invite all persons affiliated with Gaston College to come join us.

Officers:

Bill Farrell Barbara Baker Bob Blanton Mitch Edwards Mark Roberts Jackie McAbee

Chris Laughter, Leesa Hedges, Carol Johnson, Dean Wood, Pam Hollar, Melissa Murdock, Ed Blanton, Chris Knutsen, Al Rozzelle, Rusty Cloninger, Bobby Nixon, Ben Scott, David Henson, Jeff Jones, Rhonda Watford, Jerry Sellers



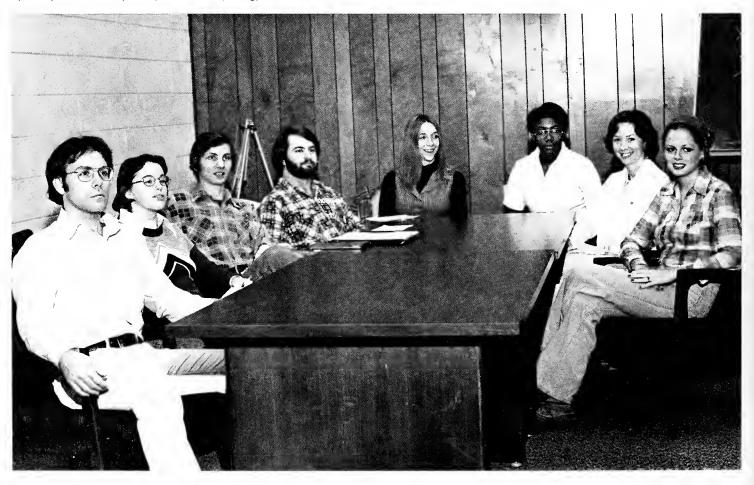


The Inter-Club Council is a standing committee of the Student Government Association which is composed of the presidents of the various clubs or a duly appointed representative. Its primary function is to coordinate the activities of the various clubs formed under the auspices of the College. In order for a club to be established on the Gaston College campus, it must have its constitution approved by the ICC. Also, the ICC annually selects the club of the year for Gaston College.

OFFICERS: Dr. Dean Jones, Sponsor Barbara Glass, Vice-Chairman Bill Calhoun, Chairman

INTER-CLUB COUNCIL

Monte Monteleone (I.E. Club), Marta Davis (G.B.P.), Terry Messer (C.F.C. and GASLIGHT), Jerry Messer (S.G.A.), Linda Little (A.E.Y.C.), Esther Saunders (B.S.U.), Janice Drum (S.N.A.), Ellen Vance (Outing)





Dennis Perry Pam Lazenby Chris Laughter

This year as in the past the GAS LIGHT staff has tried to bring you an up-to-date coverage of college, local, and national news.

Because of a lack of funds, the GAS LJGHT could be printed only once a month instead of every two weeks as in previous issues.



Terry Messer



Sandra Jenkins





OFFICERS: Ronald Riddle, Chairman James Queen, Secretary Raymon Moody, Treasurer Walter Wilson, Vice-Chairman

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SME

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers shall be an operating institution for the advancement of scientific knowledge in the field of manufacturing.

This Society shall provide the means and the methods of applying such knowledge in practice and in education.

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers shall, among other things, promote and engage actively in research, writing, publishing, and dissemination of knowledge within this field.

Creecy Copeland, Advisor Gary Jansen, Vice-Chairman James Gettings, Program Chairman



CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

"For where two or three come together in My name, I am there with them." (Matthew 18:20)



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STUDENT NURSES

The A.D. Nursing program is two academic years in length. Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate is eligible to write the licensing examination for Registered Nurse.

Sophomores

The non-degree Practical Nursing program is one year in length. Upon successful completion of the program, a diploma is granted and the graduate is eligible to write the licensing examination for Licensed Practical Nurse.



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STUDENT NURSE ASSOCIATION





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I.E.E.E.

The IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) limits its membership to those who are enrolled in either the Electrical or Electronics Engineering Technology Program. The IEEE is a national organization mainly for Engineers in the field; however, they have formed student branches to help the Engineering student get the feel of the engineering world.



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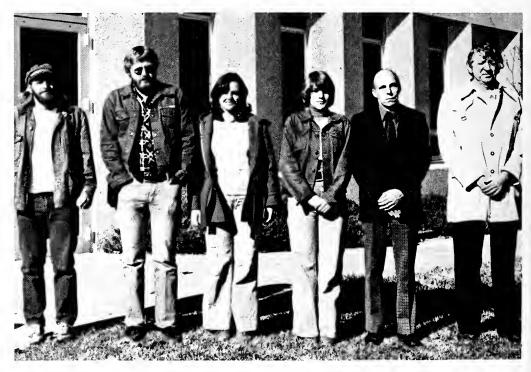
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CIVIL CLUB

The purpose of the Civil Engineering Club is to further the members' knowledge in Civil Engineering, to encourage academic achievement, and to participate in all school activities and functions.





OFFICERS: Rita Neely, President Valerie Friday, Secretary John James, Advisor Dr. David Johnson, Advisor

BLACK STUDENT UNION

"Brothers and Sisters United"

The Brothers and Sisters United has as its purpose to bring together people with common outlooks and interests; to provide an official voice through which students opinions can be voiced and expressed; to establish links between the organization and the community through service, programs, and discussions.

Randy Hudson, Wanda Galloway, Marie Lindsay, Jeanne Pearson, Carnetta Ray, Ann Boyce, Esther Sanders, Sharon Spann, Dora Crawford, Luther Barber, Pearlena Anderson, Wilford Floyd, Sharon Wilson, Fredrick Lowery, Marilyn Hinton.



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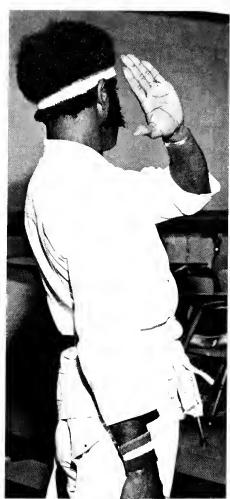




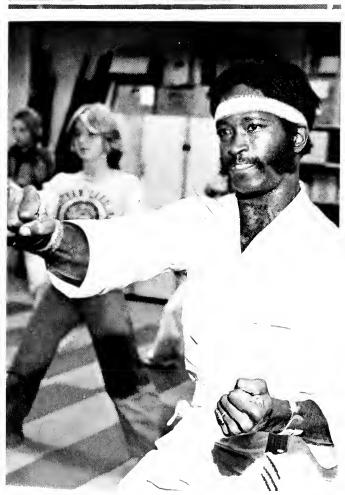


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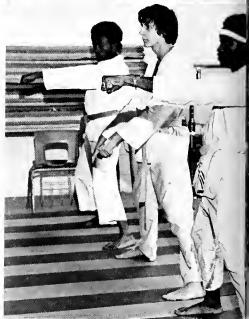
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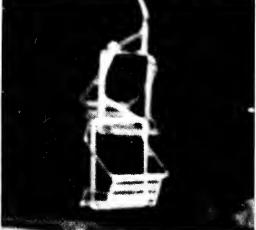




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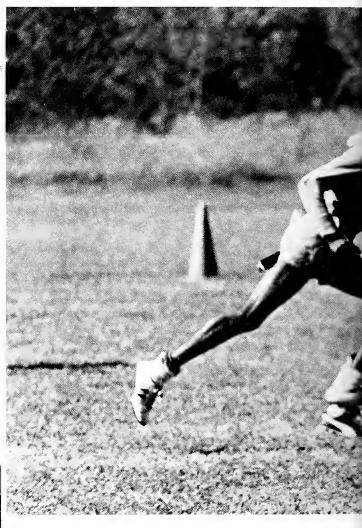








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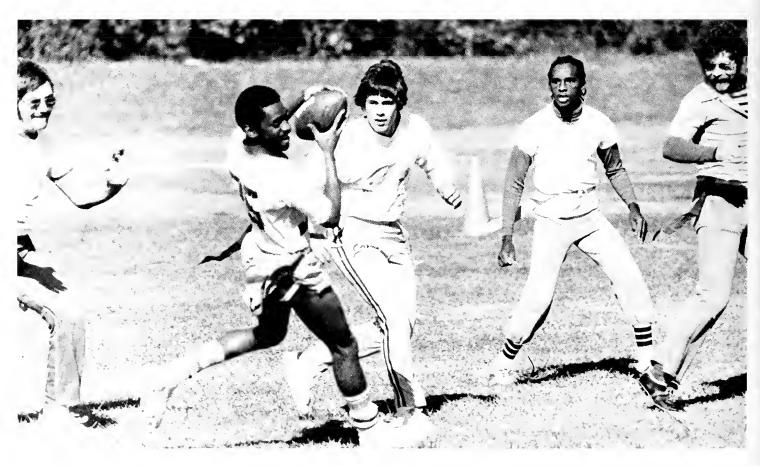


























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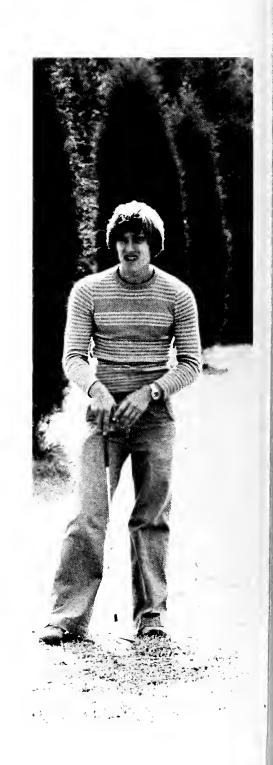










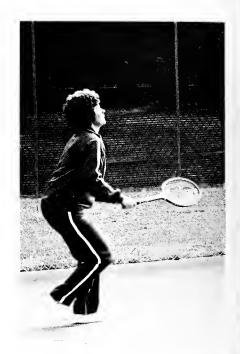












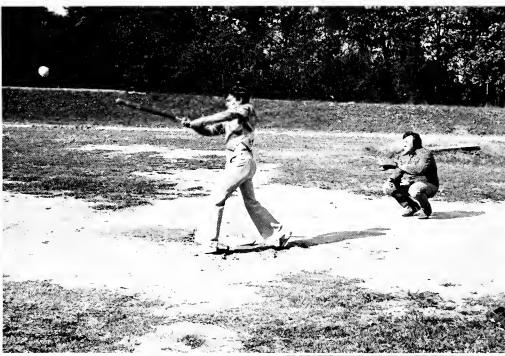
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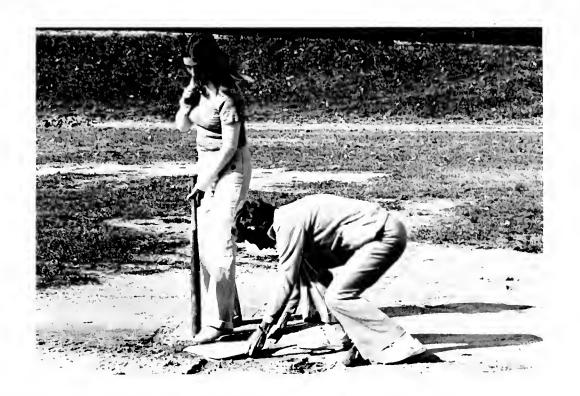


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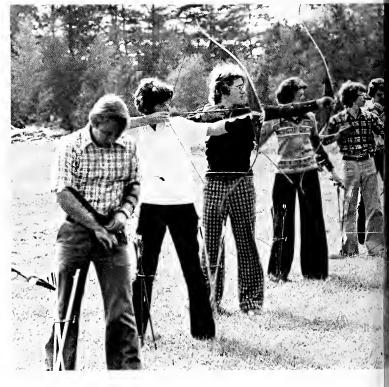






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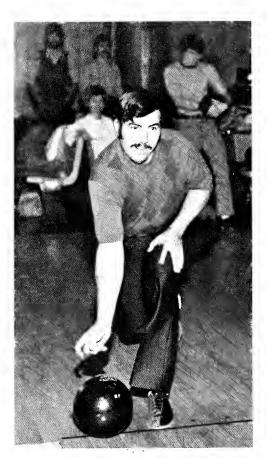




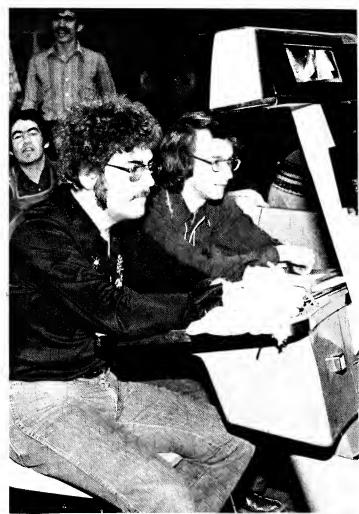
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PLACES-EVENTS PEOPLE













CAMPUS PERSONALITIES

A presence on the scene . . . a voice . . . an expression . . . a face to be remembered . . . a gesture . . . a way of walking . . . a gentle smile . . . a greeting . . . fragments impressed on the collective memory . . . PERSONALITIES on the Gaston campus.



Loretta Pressley, Academic





Cathryn Wyant, Evening School

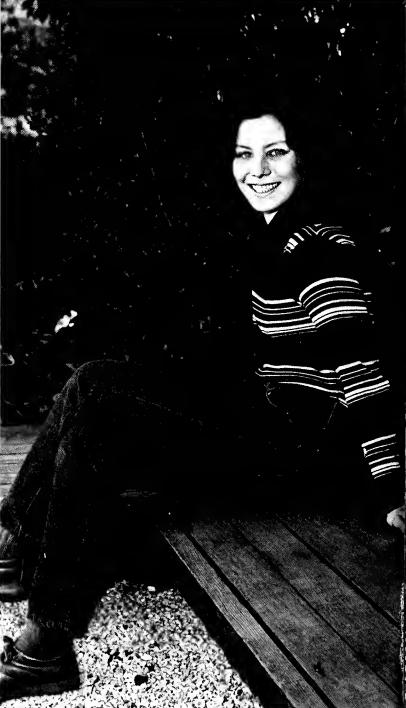
Laura is the face in the misty light, Footsteps that you hear down the hall.

The laugh that floats on a summer night, That you can never quite recall.

Karen Roberts, Academic



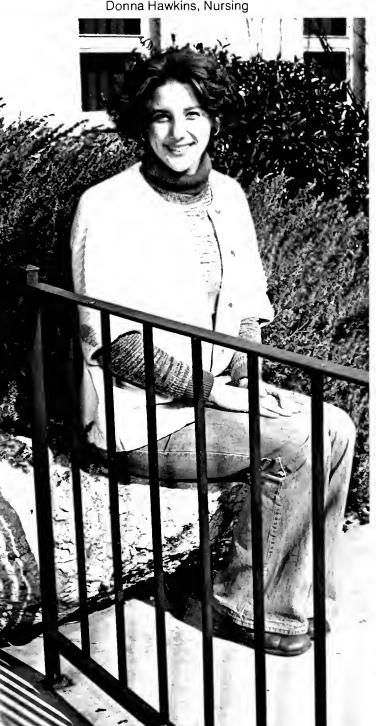
Pam Hollar, Academic



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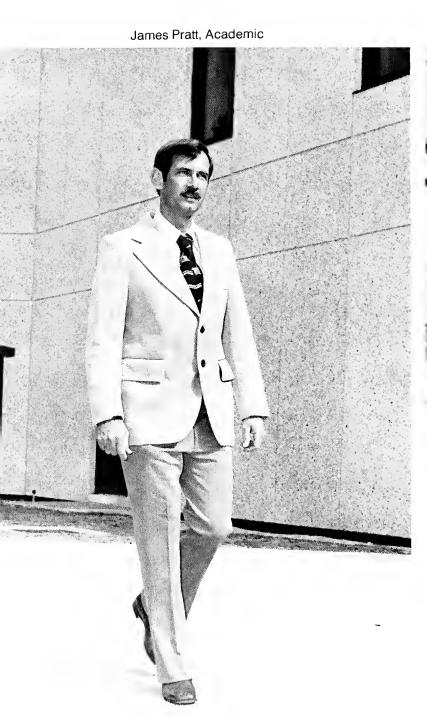
And you see Laura on the train that is passing through, Those eyes how familiar they seem. She gave your very first kiss to you, That was Laura . . . Donna . . . Loretta . . . Sharon . . . Cathryn . . . Karen . . . Pam . . . Julia . . . But she's only a dream.





Julia Lamkin, Technical







OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

A faculty committee in each Division of the College is charged with the difficult task of choosing from the many good students a dozen who will receive the title of "Outstanding Student" for 1977. Outstanding Students are those who have distinguished themselves academically and have shown themselves to be well-rounded individuals. They are assets to their families, their community, and the Gaston College image.

Marilyn Pope, Vocational



John Carswell, Vocational



OUTSTANDING

James Weant, Technical



Ione Fite, Academic



STUDENTS

Lee Knight, Vocational

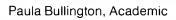


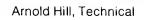
David Leigh, Academic





STUDENTS





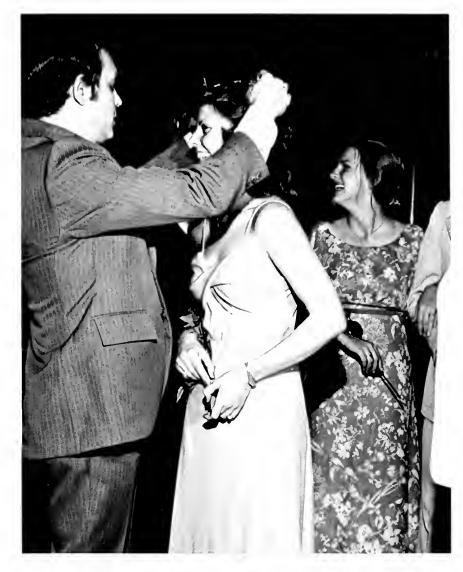




Miss Gaston College



Donna Lynn Floyd

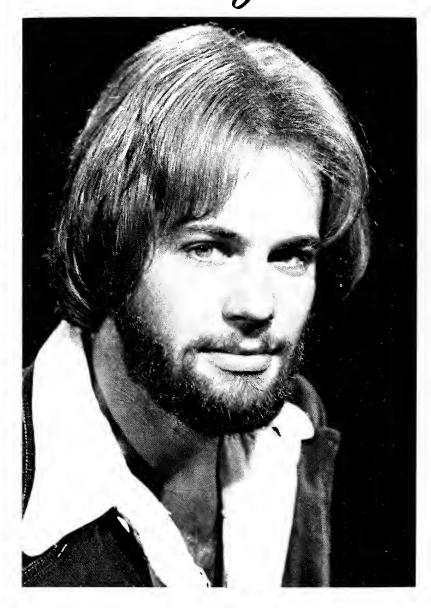




First Runner - up



Freddie Jones



Melissa Murdock

Second Runner - up



Pageant Contestants









Becky Burgin Sarah Chastain Cecilia Clemmer Cathy Jenkins





MS,MISS,MR. OR MRS. GASTON COLLEGE

It was called "The Pageant" and any student of any gender, married or single, night student or day, was invited to compete.

On Friday, February 25, at a dance featuring "Nantucket" the winners were announced.

Rhonda King Jackie McObee Ben Scott Marcia Watson







